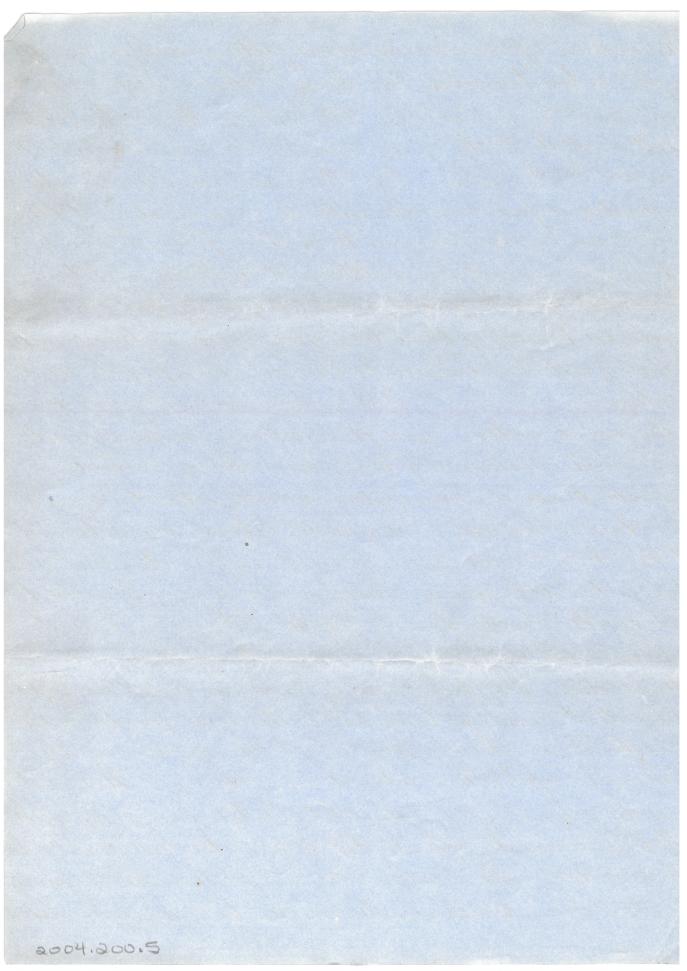
We meet to-day to commemo the therteenth anniversary of this Sunday School Defore proceeding to give an account of its forme at the time from which this anniversary dates, will be proper to the reasons why we have fixed en this as the appropriate time to hold our annive meeting; and also to give a sketch of the early he of the school. Avanday School was first organized in connec with this society, then called the Second Univer Society of Danvers, cluring the time that it was the charge of the New John Moore as pastor. Bu commenced his labors as paston Ack 2 4 183 and remained until Januarys, 1885, Thes was probably organized in the winter or spring 1834, This is according to the recollection of those the first leachers, but as no record exists the exact cannot be determined.

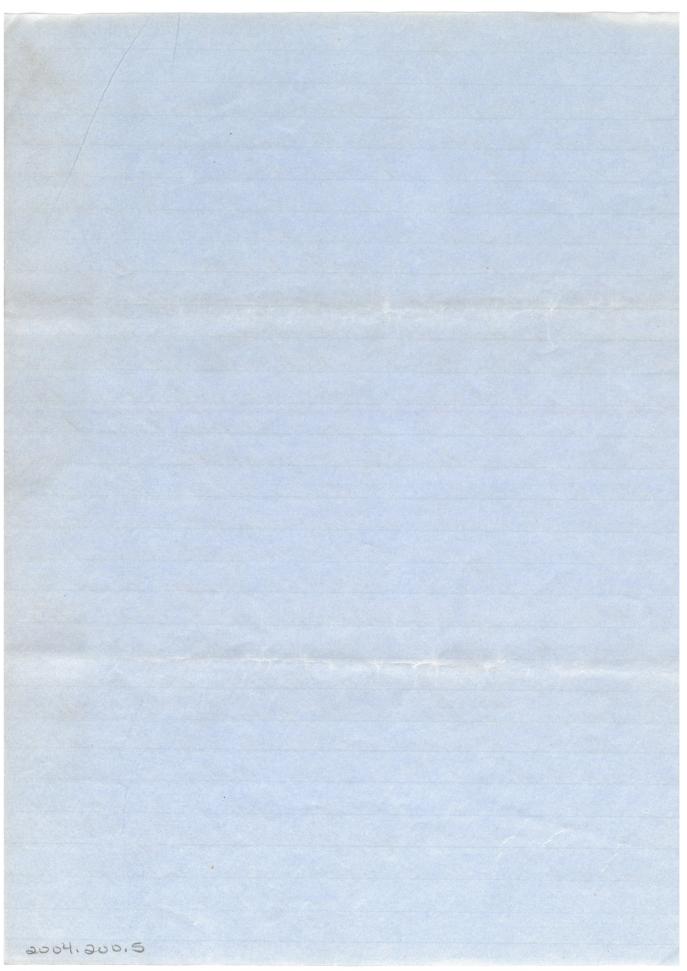


The school opened with about fifty scholars, a eight or len leachers. The Moore a cled as superis and had the general care of the school, Mis. Walker, Reed and Mi Derby were among the number fir prointed as teachers. Bro, Moor resigned his ho as pastor a few months after the organization of school and was succeed by the Rev. John M. Ace who commenced his settlement with the societ Sunday March 29, 1805; and at once, by his ear efforts in behalf of the school gave new interest welfare; adding largely to the number ofpupils teachers. The school soon became of the most active and flourishing in the vice and in the summer of 1838 numbered includ a Diblillass of some fifteen adults, about or hundred scholars. Is mall library was obta at this time, and your present superintenden appointed librarian, which place he continue fell will the autumn of 18th. No man con labor with more year and earnestness than a Mi Austin. For two years or more he acted as intendent, and, so long as continued pastor society was always present at the sessions of school except when absent on exchange. His was largely shared shared by the leachers and p Me Sylvanus Dodgi elected superintendent in the year 1838. Mr. Dodge was a most excellent. for the place. Onthus eastie in the discharge of his

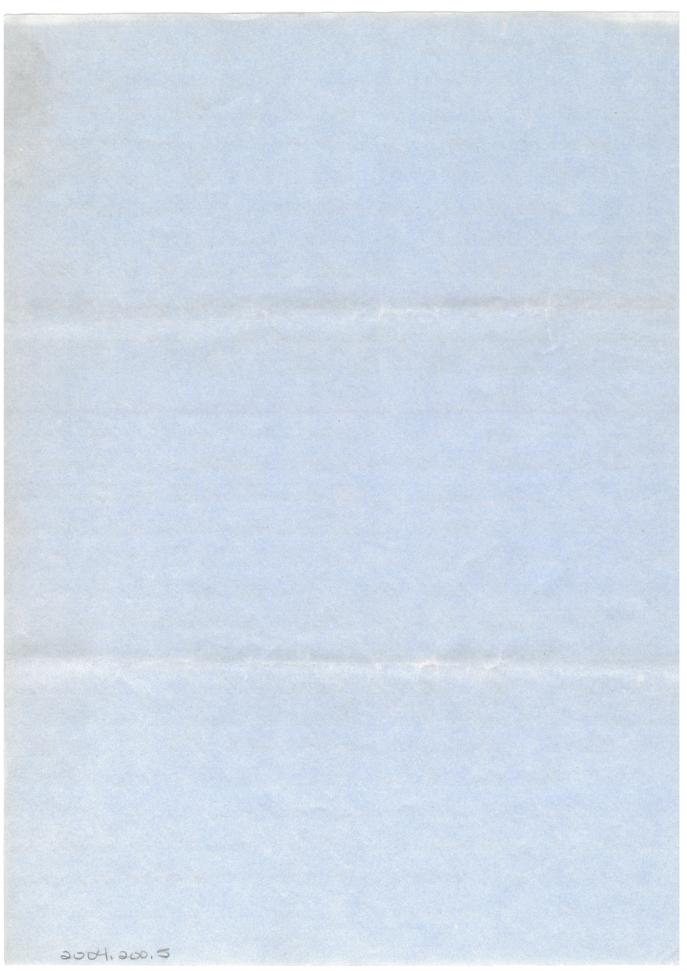


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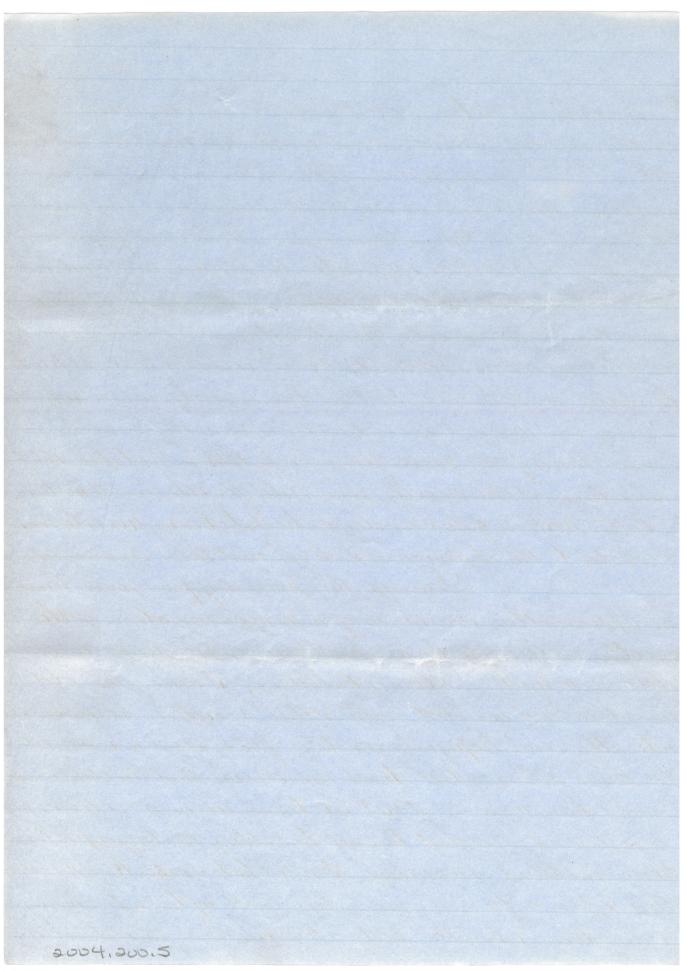
every thing that could in any way contribu the welfare or pleasure of the school received prompt allertion. And, although much time living more than two miles from the che he was always present in his place. Toward lines, oburing the pastorale of Ali Austin, the superintendence of Me Dodge exhibitions u given by the school, all of which were successf both infurnishing founds for the hurchand of books, in renewing and keeping alive an interest in school Several Tie Nie execusions were taken school and society. These invariably enga the allention of all, and it was selden that two or thru families would fail of attending; A. of other societies frequently uneted with us; and one occasion at a Sie Nie at the gree in land the late Hon, Daniel F. King, mon than sighund were present. In fune 1834 a Ladies Social Circle" was for for the purpose aiding in the procuring of fund The purchase of brokes. The following is the preamer their constitution. Impressed with the high impor of instructing children in the principles of morality, and religion, and believing that sabbath Schools afford for unparting such instruction, we whose maines are unde hereby form ourselves into a society for the promoter the above object.



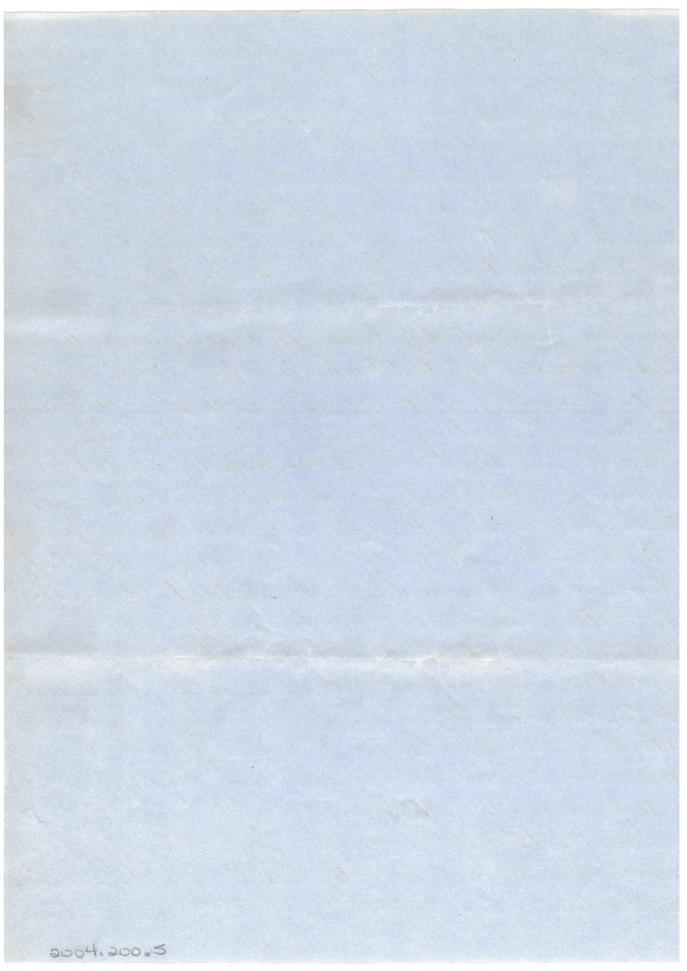
This society continued to labor for this purpose the suspense on of the meetings of the society, and of so great served as an auxiliary aced, that ould almost with propriety be considered as a of the school.
With paster, and superintendendand le there jealously laboring in every possible mann behalf to promote els enterests, each ready tocon his part, whether it be in the regular realine to of leaching the lessons of morally and christian a or, on the occasional linning a side from these, the important duties, to engage with equal zeal infe for the exhibition or Tio Nies with such year on the, of all the results could not be other than satisf you are therefore prepared to learn that the school emenually successful. Bro. Austin closedhis with this society in september 1824, and at that the school numbered 145 scholars and 24 lea 13 fernales and 11 males. During his last year the She formed an association, composed of the offices and le The school, A Constitution and by Saus were add requiring each teacher when absent to furnish a subste Rev. John Rines communed his Sabas pastor in November 1844 and continued until fe 1848. when, in consequence of a diresion in this soc growing out of his preaching, he resigned and their of the society were suspended.



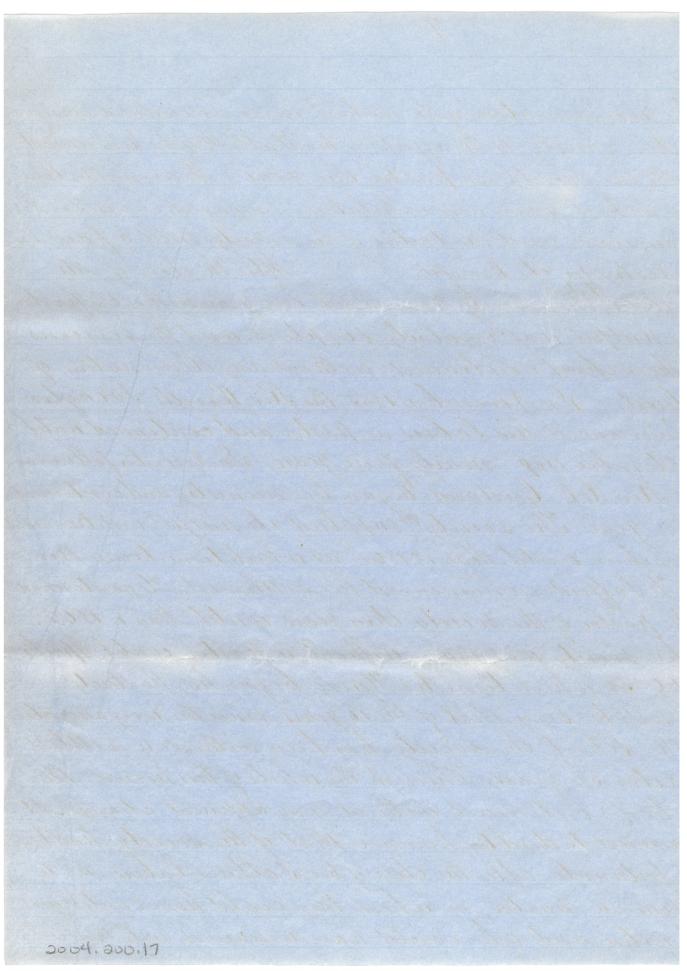
During the ministry of Mr Frince the Sunday school continued to flowish, and until his last year i little change was percevable either ininterest numbers. While he was haster the school gave oncest. and engaged in two excursions. Me Frenchastails in the school and coopperated by his prusence and vise. In consequence of the suspense. the meetings of the society, the sunday school also so and its members scattered, forme joined other se as leachers or scholars, but the larger portion would deprived of Sunday School instruction and influence For more than five years from fully 18218 to U clobe no meetings of the society were held for religious wo The better portion of the Sunday School Schrarg 400 Vol was sold to the Lawrence of chool just their organi During this period of five years, was apparently no sign of a reorganization of society, although for a short period meetings a held in a half in Allen's building, Nome of the members had united with other societies, som patiently and hopefully waiting for a sign of ren life; and others still had no desire that the old should live again. But the line arrived who a word was needed to call logether the larger for of these scattered members. In A cloter 1853 Kenf called whom a former member and after a few conversations when the subject of reviving theolds



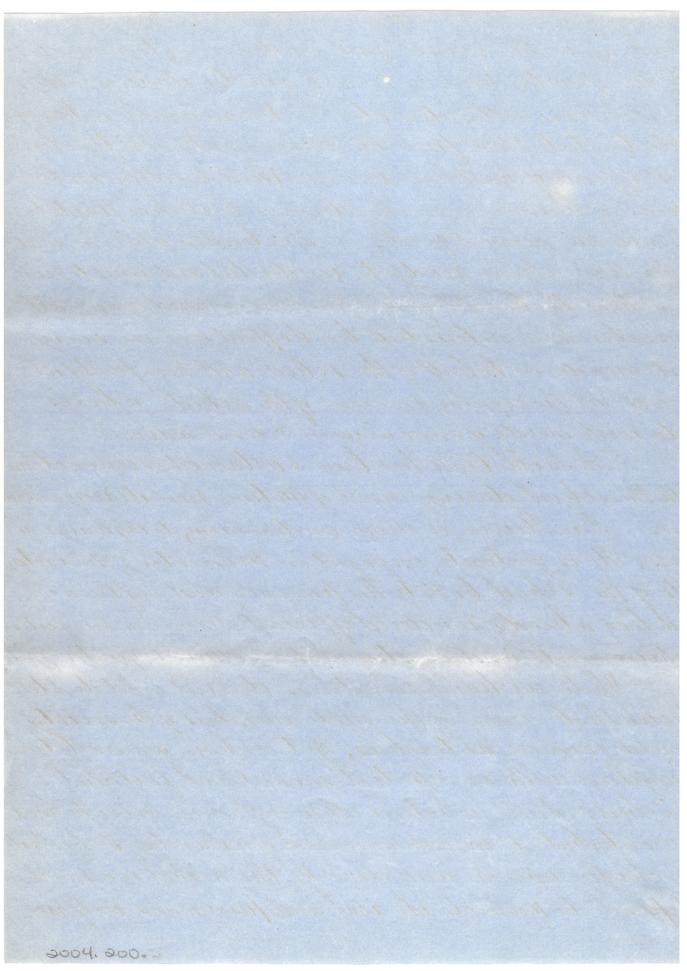
was referred to a few other members with the as that, if they would under he was ready and then furnish the names of every family we had formerly acted with the society. The resu this interview was the appointment of a meete in the church on Sunday October so, 1833 at wi timo Mr Valbet preached his first sermen to the and from that time to the present meetings h been regularly held. Steps were immediately taken for a reorganizar of the Vunday School text books were purchased a the first meeting of the school was held on the Sunday in November following. The school the guthered numbered about 125 papils suital teachers were appointed and on the next Sund library having been purchased the scholars were ed with books. Mr Dodge was again appointed intendent and entered whom his duties but being to leave lows resigned in a few weeks and y present superintendent was appointed in his pe From the impossibility of ascertaining the of the first organization of this school, and for the re of its being suspended for so long a period fro 1848 to 1853, we have deemed the lime gets reorgan on the fourth Sunday in November 1833 as the proper lin from which to date our anniversary. It is for purpose that we are met together; to recal the in and history of our school since ets reorganiza



The reorganization of the school in so seccessful am is due chiefly to the efforts of bro I albott who remain with the society as pastor one year. During this the School gave one exhibition engaged in one the Vestry for its benefit. After the close of the Salbotis, the society remained one year without a fo the pulpit was regularly supplied, and the sesse of the school continued without any diminution interest. In November 1855 the Nev. Grille Sora, commenced his labors as pastor and continued September 1839 nearly four years. In November foll the Nev. le. le, Gordand began his ministry and cone one year. The society supplied its pulpet with tre preachers until May 191862 at which time torse. U. F. Safford commenced his settlement. He could the pastor of the society three years until May, 18 The society was again without a pastor untilly 1866 at which time to Hervey began his pastoral It will be seen that of the 18 years since the reorgan of the school the society has been without a set pastor 3/2 years. Through the whole of this period school continued without any apparent change cannot be doubted however that if the society he So fortunato after the close of bro. I albert I labors a Secure a pastor in whom they could have conter united, and who could have remained with thes



working in the school and endeavoring to hrom ets prosperely that a much greater degreeysu able to state that from the reorganization the lead and officers of the school have withed together in spirit of harmony, each striving to do his par promote the general good. Bro, Gordon, while he pastor, was alwas ready to render his aid and to the school the benefit of his presence; and you remember how interested bro, Safford was in ev. effort made in behalf of the school and how faith, he was at the regular sessions of the school, alway ready with words of encouragement and advise. A Tible Class has been sustained in conne with the school during most of the line since its reor tion. Bro. Hervey is now endeavering to organ class. He is zealously engaged in promoting the ests of the school both by his presence and influe. and has already rendered efficient service in sug improvements and in stimulating others to greate While we have sometimes desired and do desire that more of the male members of the soci would join us as teachers, get we have general supplied with competent earnest and faithful teachers. And, whatever other influences may be to contribute to the advancement of a dunday och is chiefly whon the work done by them that we n depend to promote its real and permanent well

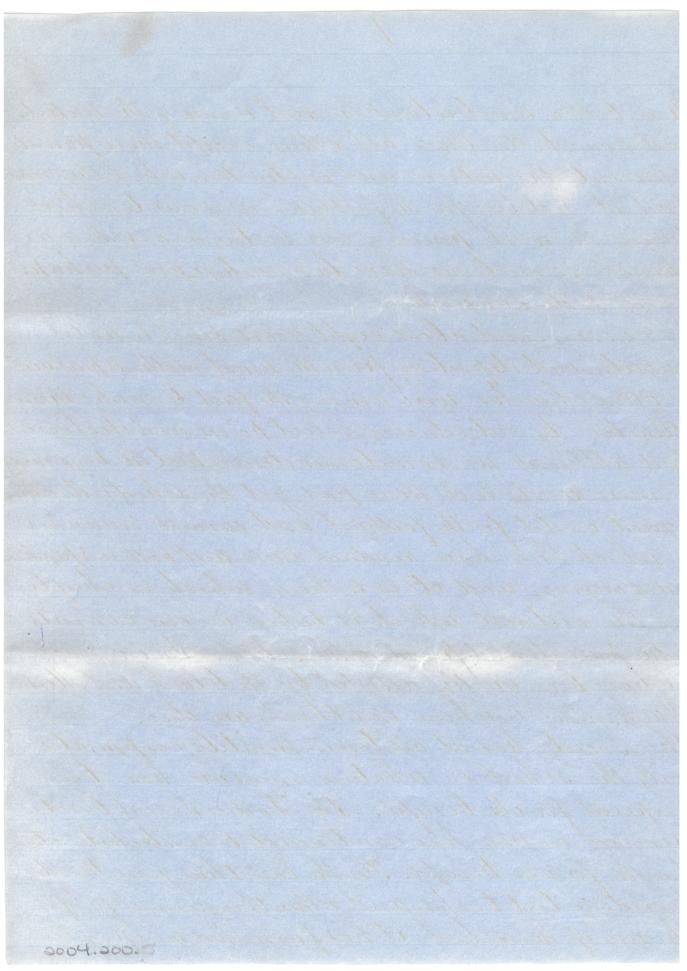


They better understand the real wants of the ha and can better than all others, except their pa appreciate the advice and instruction which the Had it not been for the faithfulness of our leach. during the whole period of our history as a school should sometimes have languished, and per ceased to do our work. We commenced about eight years since to hot concerts, and departing from the usual methods pur in other churches, were among the first to make attractive by introducing select peices and dial And although we sometimes desire that the boy be more ready to do their part, yet the school is a of great credit for the faithful and earnest man in which they have rendered their aid both ins, and singing; and the is to them which is che

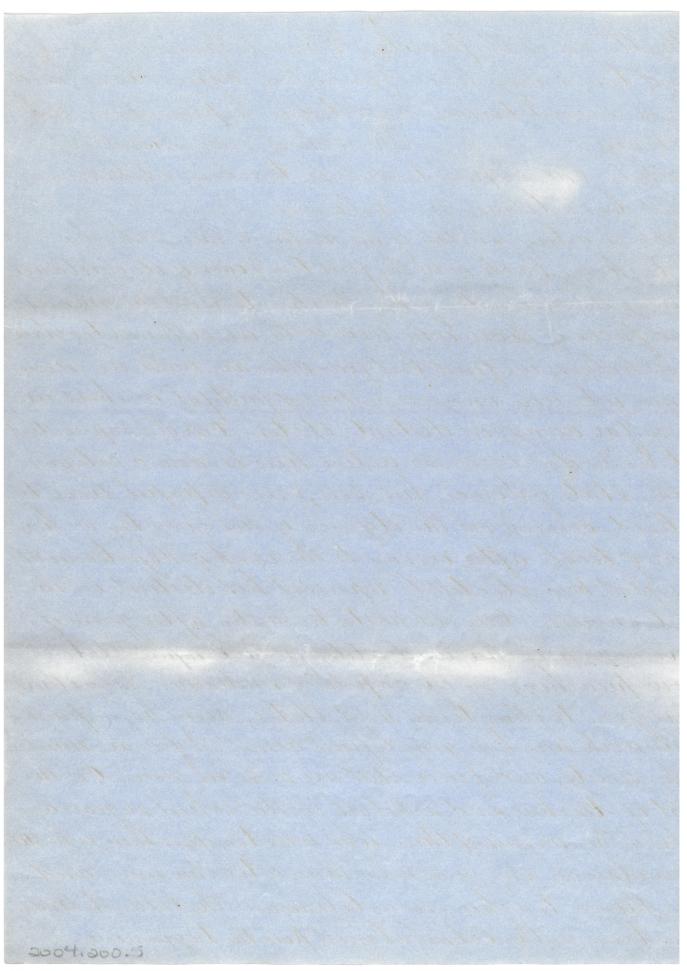
due the interest which is taken in our cone by the parents and friends of the school. Un our se. we have been greatly, assisted by Mr Clark and Mackintice to whom our thanks are due! The society has at all times heartily cooppera with the school in whatever measure has be proposed for its benefit. The Ladies vocial be revived in 1833 has continued to contribute funds for our benefit. For the last three years bes

providing text books, and other things meedful

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Mystle for each family, Whrough the aid of fa and leves they have furnished a fine Fiano have several lines assisted in replenishing freshils one superintendent, 18 teachers, 3 librare and has a library of 630 volumes. Juch is a brief sketch of the history of this school. In looking back over the first len years of its exist during the minister of tro Hustin to recal the na and faces of those who were with us either as lea or scholars, we find but few who are with us is Some, who were once arnest and faithful worker. mow far away in distant states. Our old super ent bro Dodge once so activo here is now a cele of the state of vowa, his son, once a pupil he valient service in the defence of his country in time of trial, after resing to the rank of Major Ger has just been elected to represent his district in 40, Congress. Our old pastor bro Austin after years service as preacher and editor in the compire star now preaching in the capital of Indiana. Many have gone to other lowns and states, some having There work here han gond to final home, A few aren of the society, and fewer still are with as now, or list of teachers and scholars in the school 20 year I find the names of three who were teachers then, we han classes, one, a scholar then, a leacher now, a one, then a leacher now librarian the latter, Mrs has been in the school almost from the beginning.



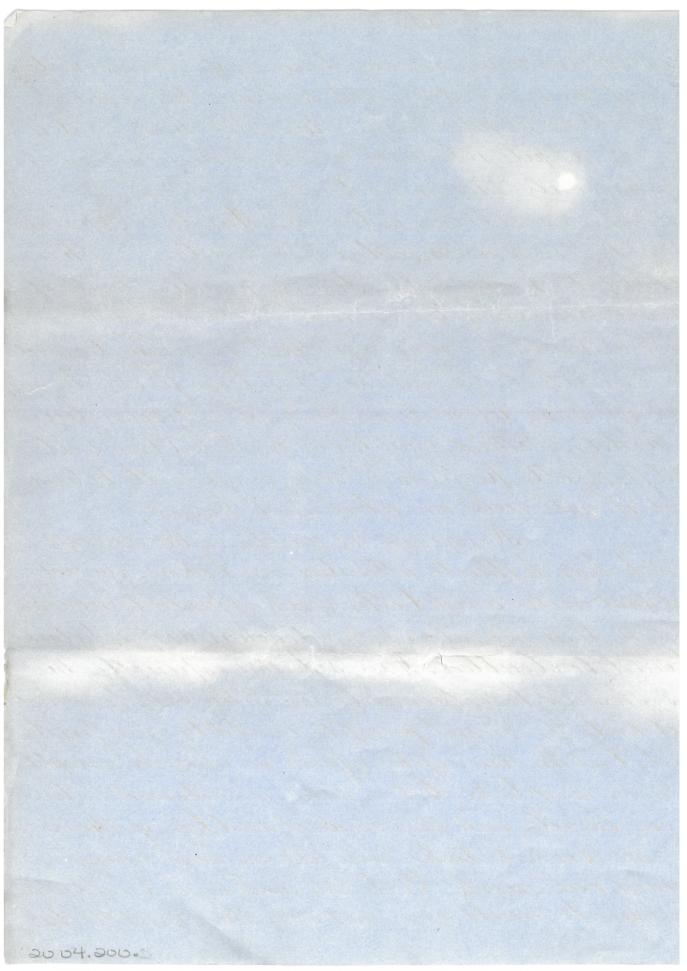
And may I not say beller still I find the ma one, who was a pupil 20 years ago who is still a. of those who responded to the call of to country and deel good service in suppressing Nebellion the names of forty are remembered as belonging to this school and perhaps as many could be given if their history could be traced. Of number twenty find have been members of the s Since ets reorganization; three of whom Charles Charles Dearborn and Frank Gardner gave their e in the cause. While the destroying a has seldem entered our ranks, get he has not to good as warning of the brevely of life and to Certainty of death, Miss Hannah Finder, a yo lady greatly interested in every thing relation the school and Carrie Thomas a girl of 18 years Stricken down by consumption and one boy of. Samue Herning have been taken from us to the A few of you who are now scholars were with

A few of you who are now scholars were with at the beginning of the present organization. It, young ladies now members of the first class of are a portion of a class formed at the commence of the school 13 years ago, and have remained members of the same class to this time; always in in all the exercises of the school, their example is a of the incitation of all



How or find others, equally deserving of comment joined the school at the start and are still pupie Four others pupils then are mow leachers, an the 125 pupils who were gathered here 13 year this day only thesesome twelve in all are now us either as scholars or teachers. Iwenty more/2 may be found as members of the society. (V. constant change of location so peculiar to as our Newtengland lowns will account for the res And although we may regret that so many tro in our school should so soon leave for other. get we may rejoice to see the good seed sown i So widely scattered, and if our work has been a and faithfully performed; may confidently be that it will yeeles an abundant harvest. Rejoicing as we do in the suce which has hitherto attended our labors, we feel that more and better work should be ac plished. Que numbers both of teachers and sch. should be doubled. Vur scholars especially boys should be retained longer in the schools not only the moral precepts, could be more fe fixed, but the principles of auth we cherish m be more deeply rooted in their minds, and en more largely into the conduct and life of the who are soon to take our places and carry forward our work, To do this work as we ough

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but their actual presence in the school as to divently years ago we had ten male teachers to day have five. They can we not have as many now the ought to attain to a much greater degre prospecity in feeture; this is our duty whether or we shall perform it is for you parents and frie to determine. If you disine to extend your infe as a society, to increase your numbers and of to you usefulness; if you desire more and bette work in the school, come and fully us; and greater prospecity for you and for us shall be it sesult of our united efforts

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